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## DYNAMITE EXPLOSIONS ON WHICH INDIANAPOLIS INDICTMENTS WERE BASED

Explosions in Seventeen States. The states in which explosions occurred were Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Michigan, Wisconsin, Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska, Utah, California and Washington. Ohio, with twenty explosions, had more than any other state. Illinois, Indiana and New York follow in order, in respect to the number of the explosions.

There were two explosions in 1905; nine in 1906; six in 1907; twenty-six in 1908; twenty in 1909; twenty-five in 1910; and thirteen in 1911. These figures are exclusive of the Los Angeles Times plant, and resulted in the confessions and imprisonment of the brothers John J. and James B. McNamara. John J. McNamara was secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers.

Erectors' Association Takes Hand. The preliminary exhibit of facts and

allegations about the explosions and their supposed origin was gathered and presented to the federal authorities by the National Erectors' association, an organization of iron and steel manufacturers and contractors who had declared for the "open shop."

After the explosions in 1905, the Erectors' association was formed, and in May, 1906, after declaring as an organization for the "open shop," engaged detectives to seek out the identity of those responsible for the explosions.

One of the first instances of the finding of hidden explosives occurred before the erectors organized and followed an attempt to blow up a building in East Twenty-third street, New York City. Two men were convicted. One of them confessed to having received \$150 on one occasion for a "job," and \$100 for cutting a cable. He told of the location of 100 one-pound sticks of dynamite which subsequently were found in the Jersey meadows and in the sands at the foot of East Twenty-fourth street.

The erectors continued their investigations until the spring of 1911, but while the detectives were working in one place, the explosions occurred with more frequency in others. More than a dozen viaducts, bridges, buildings and other construction work, all being erected by firms employing non-union labor, had been blown up before Orville E. McNamara appeared on the scene and before he began to work with John J. and James B. McNamara as a professional dynamiter.

The investigation of the dynamite conspiracy, after the pleas of guilty had been made by the McNamara brothers, was continued, to ascertain who else, if anyone, participated in or gave financial support to the crimes.

The chief explosions, or attempts, which were given special attention by the federal grand jury, were as follows:

1905.  
Summer—Miller's Falls, Mass.; American Bridge Co.; railroad bridge. (Attempt.)

Summer—New Haven, Conn.; American Bridge Co.; bridge. (Attempt.)

1906.  
Jan. 19—New York City; Post & McCord Building, East Twenty-third street (attempt); two men convicted; 100 pounds of dynamite later found in Jersey Meadows and in sand at the foot of East Twenty-fourth street.

March 12—Cleveland, O.; American Bridge Co.; hotel. (Attempt.)  
April 2—Cleveland, O.; American Bridge Co.; hotel. (Attempt.)  
April 2—Cleveland, O.; American Bridge Co.; Arcade building. (Attempt.)

May 12—Bridge on Buffalo & Susquehanna R. R.; American Bridge Co. (Attempt.)  
May 31—Newark, N. J.; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; warehouse, derrick wrecked.

August 15—Conshohocken, Pa.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; iron mill; several thousand dollars by fire.

Sept. 25—Cleveland, O.; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; railroad viaduct. (Attempt.)

October 12—Near Clairton, Pa.; American Bridge Co.; viaduct; derrick car wrecked.

Dec. 30—Whisky Island, near Cleveland, O.; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; bridge, damage slight.

1907.  
June 25—Detroit, Mich.; Russell Wheel and Foundry Co.; Gas building; damage not given.

Sept.—Cleveland, O.; American Bridge Co.; American Steel & Wire Co. plant; hoisting engine destroyed.

Oct. 30—Youngstown, O.; Youngtown Construction Co.; Baltimore & Ohio Railroad bridge; slightly damaged.

Dec. 23—Near Harrison, N. J.; Brann & Stuart Co.; Erie Railroad bridge; damage \$2,000.

Dec. 31—Cleveland, O.; Lucius Co.; Cleveland Short Line railroad bridge; damage \$500.

Dec. 31—Mill Creek, near Cleveland, O.; Lucius Co.; viaduct; damage, \$1,200.

1908.  
Jan. 31—Eldon, Ill.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; building; damage \$150.

Feb. 3—Polham, N. Y.; American Bridge Co.; drawbridge; damage between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Feb. 16—Clinton, Ia.; Wisconsin Bridge & Iron Co.; double track bridge over Mississippi river; damage \$2,000.

March 18—Chicago; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; Chicago, Minneapolis & St. Paul railroad construction work; derrick car damaged.

March 25—Perth Amboy, N. J.; Pennsylvania Steel Co.; drawbridge; damage \$1,500.

March 25—Near Bradshaw, Md.; Youngtown Construction Co.; Baltimore & Ohio railroad bridge; machinery destroyed.

April 1—New York; Pennsylvania Steel Co.; Blackwell Island bridge. (Attempt.)

April 3—New York; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; pier 58, North river; machinery wrecked; damage \$500 to \$1,000.

April 9—Near West Farms Station, N. Y.; Lewis P. Shoemaker & Co.; highway bridge. (Attempt.)

April 13—Philadelphia; American Bridge Co.; Elevated road; material damaged \$1,000.

April 26—Fall River, Mass.; American Bridge Co.; bridge; damage \$2,000 to \$3,000.

May 3—Dayton, O.; American Bridge Co.; Chicago, Hamilton & Dayton railroad bridge; derrick car damaged.

May 21—New York; Pennsylvania Steel Co.; drawbridge. (Attempt.)

May 22—Baychester, N. Y.; Lewis P. Shoemaker & Co.; bridge; damage \$1,500.

May 24—Aiken, Mo.; Youngtown Construction Co.; Baltimore & Ohio railroad bridge. (Attempt.)

June 2—Perryville, Md.; American Bridge Co.; Baltimore & Ohio railroad bridge. (Attempt.)

June 2—Cleveland, O.; Plant Van Dorn Iron Works Co.; damage \$500

June 15—Somerset, Mass.; Phoenix Bridge Co.; bridge; material damaged \$1,000.

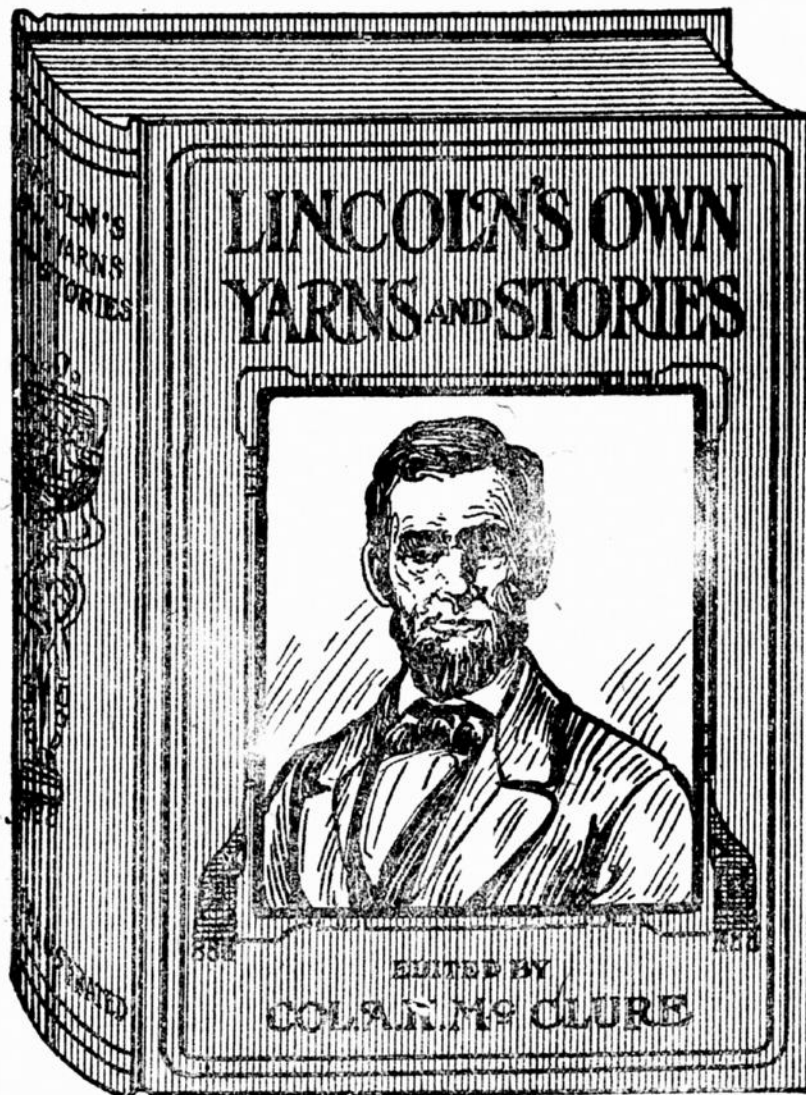
July 1—Buffalo, N. Y.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; Lehigh Valley railroad bridge; damage \$1,500.

August 6—Chicago; American

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Bridge Co.; Illinois Central railroad bridge; work damaged.  
Aug. 6—Cincinnati, O.; Grainger Construction Co.; viaduct.  
Aug. 9—St. Louis; (Contractor not given); bridge. (Attempt.)  
Oct. 15—Holyoke, Mass.; Lewis F. Shoemaker & Co.; bridge. (Attempt.)  
Nov. 30—Cleveland, O.; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; bridge; damage \$500.  
Dec. 24—Kansas City; Ball & Thwing; building wrecked.  
1909.  
March 18—Indiana Harbor, Ind.; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; car of steel; damage small.  
March 24—Indiana Harbor, Ind.; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; attempt to wreck material.  
March 27—Boston, Mass.; new opera house; side of building destroyed.  
March 31—Hoboken, N. J.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; viaduct; damage \$1,000.  
April 25—Kansas City; A. M. Blodgett Construction Co.; derrick car; damage slight.  
May 9—Cincinnati; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; Cincinnati Southern railroad bridge; damage slight.  
May 24—Cincinnati; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; Cincinnati Southern railroad bridge; damage \$300.  
June 7—Buffalo, N. Y.; New York Central & Hudson River railroad bridge; damage several thousand dollars.  
June 26—Steuvenville, O.; Seaboard Construction Co.; Pennsylvania railroad bridge; material damaged \$2,500.  
June 26—Kansas City; A. M. Blodgett Construction Co.; viaduct; damage \$75.  
July 9—Detroit; Whitehead & Kales plant; damage slight.  
Aug. 12—Cincinnati; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; viaduct; damage \$700.  
Aug. 16—New York; Pittsburgh Construction Co.; New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad bridge.  
Sept. 5—Hoboken, N. J.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; viaduct. (Attempt.)  
Sept. 14—Buffalo; McCain Construction Co.; viaduct; derrick car destroyed.  
Oct. 6—Buffalo; McCain Construction Co.; viaduct; slight damage.  
Oct. 25—Indianapolis, Ind.; Albert Von Spreckelsen; Central Union Telephone Exchange building, public library, Von Spreckelsen plating mill and barn; \$15,000.  
Nov. 4—Cleveland; Brown Hoisting & Machinery Co.; crane, freight cars; other machinery and buildings wrecked; \$40,000.  
Nov. 21—Green Bay, Wis.; Wisconsin Bridge & Iron Co.; car of steel wrecked.  
Dec. 29—Salt Lake City, Utah; R. D. Jones (sub-contractor for American bridge Co.); Utah hotel; damage slight.  
1910.  
March 27—Indiana Harbor, Ind.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; Plant American Steel Foundries Co.; \$500.  
April 5—Newcastle, Ind.; Plant Pan American Bridge Co.; damaged.  
April 18—Salt Lake City, Utah; R. D. Jones (sub-contractor for American bridge Co.); Utah hotel; damage slight.  
April 19—Clinton, Ind.; Chicago & Eastern Illinois railroad bridge; bridge wrecked.  
April 19—Mt. Vernon, Ill.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; power house; machinery damaged.  
May 24—New York; Pennsylvania Steel Co.; viaduct; \$700 to \$900.  
June 4—Davenport, Ia.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; machine shop; damage slight.  
June 4—Peoria, Ill.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; bridge; girders wrecked.  
June 22—Cleveland; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; viaduct; \$100.  
July 4—Akron, O.; The Burger Iron Co.; work and damage not given.  
July 9—Jersey City, N. J.; Phoenix Bridge Co.; viaduct; \$1,000.  
July 15—Pittsburgh; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; trusswork; \$500.  
July 21—Omaha, Neb.; Wisconsin Bridge & Iron Co.; power plant; \$150.  
Aug. 12—Superior, Wis.; Heyl & Patterson; unloading rig on dock; machinery destroyed.  
Aug. 20—Oakland, Cal.; plant of Pacific Coast Lumber Co.; wrecked.  
Aug. 23—Kansas City; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; railroad bridge; \$200.  
Aug. 31—Seattle, Wash.; Contractor not given; office building; damage not given.  
Sept. 4—Peoria, Ill.; plant of Lucas Bridge & Iron Co.; plant and six adjacent buildings damaged.  
Sept. 4—East Peoria, Ill.; McClintic-Marshall Construction Co.; railroad bridge; damage slight.  
Sept. 27—Ninetown, Pa.; American Bridge Co.; bridges, damage slight.

## FARSON

Mark Winnes left Saturday for a visit in Powersville, Mo., with relatives.  
R. C. Prouty and Nathan Widner were called in Sigourney Friday.  
Miss Allie Woodruff was an Ottumwa caller Friday.  
F. L. Warder spent Sunday in Ottumwa.  
Clarence Davis of Pella, Iowa, spent Sunday at the parental E. D. Davis home.  
J. A. Newman left Sunday for Chicago with a shipment of sheep.  
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Dickey, Sunday, a son.  
Oscar Sward and Lorenz Bonnett attended the Men and Religion Forward movement convention in Ottumwa Sunday.  
Rev. C. J. Shook, district superintendent, preached at the M. E. church Sunday evening.

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## EDDYVILLE.

Mrs. Chas. Schafer spent Tuesday with her friend Mrs. Minnie Shreeves who is at the A. Stuber home.  
The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Albright is reported on the sick list.  
Bert Roberts left Tuesday night for southwestern Kansas.  
Miss Esther Riggs of Des Moines, who has been visiting here went to Albia Tuesday night to visit her friend Mrs. Melvin Spencer.  
Ed Shields left Tuesday for Van Buren, Ark.  
Mr. Tysling of Pella is opening up a general merchandise store here.  
R. L. Hansel was a passenger for St. Louis Tuesday night.  
Fred, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Akers who has been quite ill with pneumonia is somewhat better.  
Miss Madonna Scott went to Grinnell Wednesday on business.

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